

50-H HEARING

ANTIC, PERO

BLA#: 2015PI019450

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In the Matter of the Claim of

PERO ANTIC,

-against-

THE CITY OF NEW YORK; P.O. RICHARD CASTER,  
Shield Number 17276; P.O. JOHN PAUL GIACONA,  
Shield Number 9996; P.O. DANIEL DONGVORT,  
Shield Number 3129; P.O. MICHAEL SULLIVAN,  
Shield Number 13084; and JOHN DOE, RICHARD DOE,  
JAMES ROE and RICHARD ROE (intended to be the  
police officers who were present and together  
with named co-respondents who caused claimant  
to be injured on April 8, 2015).

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One Centre Street  
New York, New York

November 17, 2015  
4:05 p.m.

EXAMINATION of PERO ANTIC, held at  
the above time and place, pursuant to Notice,  
taken before Kathleen Fata, a reporter and  
Notary Public within and for the state of New  
York.

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2 A There is a lot of officers around  
3 me, sir.

4 Q Before this --

5 A They making -- they making like a  
6 circle, a big circle, and I cannot see  
7 anything, you know. They put me on the ground  
8 next to -- I don't know what was, Escalade,  
9 Navigator, you know, a big car. I'm on the  
10 curb and police officers around me. I just see  
11 legs.

12 Q Before this officer pushed you, did  
13 you touch him or any officer in any way?

14 A Yes, like they say in the court, I  
15 don't grab him or anything. I just tap him,  
16 like, sir, why you do this to him. Even they  
17 said it.

18 Q You tapped the officer where?

19 A On the shoulder like normal human  
20 being, because he's with the back; I don't want  
21 to go in his face. I say excuse me, sir, why  
22 you do this to him, and they just put me on the  
23 ground.

24 I didn't -- I didn't even -- I know  
25 I'm -- I'm strong and everything. I just stay

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2 over there. I didn't do nothing, just I can  
3 ask, you know, why you do this to my friend,  
4 like you will -- you do if somebody do to your  
5 friend, sir.

6 Q The officer that you tapped on the  
7 shoulder, can you tell me how tall he was?

8 A He was smaller than me, but how  
9 tall, I don't --

10 Q Approximately?

11 A I don't know, sir.

12 Q How would you describe his build?

13 A Like I say, sir, I -- I really  
14 don't look them how they look, how -- how --  
15 everything happened in a second, and it's  
16 something new in my life that I don't wanna  
17 happen again, you know.

18 Q Can you describe for us how that  
19 officer pushed you? Tell me exactly what he  
20 did.

21 A When it happened, he just turn,  
22 push me, and another guy from behind put me on  
23 the ground, tell me sit -- sit down.

24 Q The officer that pushed you, did he  
25 push you with one hand, with both hands? Just

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2 describe exactly how he pushed you.

3 A Somehow he turn and push me. How  
4 he push me, I don't know, sir. He push me --

5 Q What part of your body --

6 A -- in my chest.

7 Q I'm sorry?

8 A He -- he push me. He -- how he  
9 turned, he just push me, and I will not go to  
10 him to ask him why you push me. How he push me  
11 -- another guy from behind put me on the

12 ground, tapped me on my shoulder and said sit  
13 down and don't get up, and I just sit down.

14 Q The officer that pushed you, did he  
15 put his hands on your chest, on your side, on  
16 your back, how did he push you?

17 A I mean, I told you he's smaller.  
18 He -- he push me in my chest, and another guy  
19 from behind held me because he was dealing with  
20 Thabo. They were dealing like five officers so  
21 that --

22 Q When that officer pushed, you did  
23 you fall down?

24 A Yeah, on the curb. It's -- it's  
25 okay, you know. He pushed me, but I cannot do

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2 anything, you know. I stay on the ground,  
3 comply whatever he says, and just watching  
4 something that's new for me.

5 Q Between the time that officer  
6 pushed you and you went to the ground, did any  
7 officer touch you, any other officer?

8 A Another guy from behind just hold  
9 my shoulder and tell me don't get up.

10 Q When --

11 A I don't know how he look.

12 Q When that officer pushed you, can  
13 you tell me how you fell; did you fall on your  
14 butt, did you fall on your back, did you fall  
15 on your knees? Tell us how you fell.

16 A On my butt.

17 Q The other officer put his hands on  
18 your shoulders or something else?

19 A On my shoulder, on one shoulder and  
20 tell me sit down. He just -- he didn't hold  
21 me. He -- he -- he hold me one time and he  
22 said sit, stay down, don't get up. And he just  
23 -- he just stood next to me. And then more  
24 police officers came and more police surround  
25 the people who are there, and we just sit. I

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2 mean I sit. Thabo was -- they deal with Thabo  
3 how they did.

4 Q Did any officer touch you in any  
5 other way other than what you just described  
6 for me?

7 A No.

8 Q Did any officer strike you or hit  
9 you at any time?

10 A I mean, the guy that pushed me, you  
11 know.

12 Q Other than pushing you in the way  
13 that you described, did any officers strike you  
14 with a fist or with a foot or anything or an  
15 object?

16 A No.

17 Q Did any of those officers threaten  
18 you verbally in any way?

19 A No. When we was in the police  
20 station, they were making jokes with us,  
21 especially with Thabo.

22 Q Did you say anything else to those  
23 officers other than what you've just told me?

24 A Nothing.

25 Q Did you say anything to the officer

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2 Thabo.

3 Q Did any officer at any time cause  
4 you any physical injury?

5 A Not to me. To Thabo, yes,  
6 physical.

7 Q Were you fingerprinted at the  
8 police station?

9 A Yes, we were.

10 Q Did they take your photograph at  
11 the police station?

12 A Photograph they took us -- I don't  
13 remember if that machine took the photograph.  
14 But I remember they took before the courts  
15 before we were released they took photograph  
16 over there.

17 Q While you were at the police  
18 station, did any officer ask you any questions?

19 A They were asking a lot of  
20 questions, but I didn't want to talk to them,  
21 you know. I was just, like I say, in shock,  
22 and I was thinking about so many other stuff  
23 that's gonna come out after what just happen,  
24 you know.

25 Q To the best that you can recall.



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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Kathleen Fata, a reporter and Notary Public within and for the State of New York, do hereby certify:

That the witness(es) whose testimony is hereinbefore set forth was duly sworn by me, and the foregoing transcript is a true record of the testimony given by such witness(es).

I further certify that I am not related to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this matter.